

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
June 6, 2007

Present: Kay Dyson Mayor, Eric Baca and Pete Hunt

Excused: Mary Nedrow and Phelps Wilkins

Staff: Scott Garms Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Shaffery & Coronado P.C.  
Larisa Bogardus Community Development Dir., Karen Asquith Finance Dir.,  
Chief Steve West, Tom Malone Public Works Dir. and Melissa Knotts P.D. Adm.  
Assistant.

Public: Dr. Mark Frederickson, Kevin Burk, Rebecca Malone, Judy Hayes, Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Peterson, and Clayton Ridenour.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:06pm by Mayor Dyson.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Dyson, Invocation by Councilman Hunt.
3. Public Participation:

Steve West announced that here tonight is a very special person Clayton Ridenour who participated in the Special Olympics held at the State level Phoenix bringing back two medals and a ribbon along with five others that attended from this area that also brought back medals.

Melissa Knotts mother thanked Dennis Gilliam and everyone who raised funds to send these kids to Special Olympics.

Steve reported that with the dance during Valle Redondo Day's they will have almost doubled contributions for Special Olympics this year.

Mayor Dyson thanked Councilman Hunt for walking in the Memorial Day parade and helping her with the clean up. She also thanked Mr. Garms, his wife Kris and Tom and Rebecca Malone for hosting the Arizona Water Protection fund barbeque held at Jim Crosswhite's ranch.

She gave a big thank you to Larisa Bogardus for putting on Valle Redondo Day's. Larisa went above and beyond in putting on this great community event.

Mr. Garms mentioned that the Health & Safety Fair was held this weekend. Melissa Knotts of the police department was responsible for the safety fair portion doing an exceptional job in getting a number of agencies to participate.

Larisa Bogardus reported for the chamber announcing that Valle Redondo Days was very successful. She thanked the town for supporting her and the event financially. The most successful part of the weekend event was the dance. Ms. Bogardus thanked Dennis Gilliam for running the dance which was the most successful part of the event. Approximately fifteen hundred people were in town for the event. A lot of comments and compliments were received on the quality of the event.

4. Mr. Garms reported public works is at the forefront of the roads projects for the summer. We will be working off of a list that was generated over the past few years based on the needs and traffic counts of the road ways. Mason and Pinal neighborhood is in great need and will probably be done this summer. The neighborhood between town hall and the park will be chip sealed as well as some more work in Coronado Acres.  
The slurry sealing is dependent on the contractor. They would like to piggyback with Navajo County again this year. If possible we would like to get all of South Mountain and Coconino and Chiricahua and Tori Circle slurry sealed.

Mr. Malone reported that Navajo County said they would honor the same price they gave us last year. They started on the senior center kitchen plumbing and electrical which should take about three weeks. They also started preliminary work on a park bathroom. Game & Fish has planted the wetlands with oats and wheat.

Ms. Bogardus reported that she has the draft report of the historic building analysis required by SHPO. This lays out a plan and an order for rehabilitation. We are on schedule and hope to have it finished by the end of May. She will receive a complete document with photos when it is finished. When it's complete it will go to SHPO for review and approval and they will authorize us to move forward. She expects to go to bid this fall or winter.

She reported that the reconstruction of the apron at the airport is moving slowing due to rocks under the surface. They will be milling and testing for compaction and they hope to be complete by the end of the month. She has also been working with ADOT and FAA to catch up with some record keeping to move forward with reimbursements.

Karen Asquith CFO gave an overview of the tentative budget and audit plan. She would like to have a budget/audit workshop on either the 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> and another work session on July 9, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> a tentative budget on the 18<sup>th</sup> and a final budget on August. She will be sending information to the council ahead of time. She felt that it would flow smoothly. She said she would like to tie the goals and visions to the budget and asked the council to bring a specific list of projects for the next five years.

Consent Agenda:

5.
  - A. Minutes: Consider approval of the minutes of the May 2, 2007 town council meeting.
  - B. Minutes: Consider approval of the minutes of the May 17, 2007 joint Springerville/Eagar town council meeting.
  - C. Minutes: Consider approval of the minutes of the May 23, 2007 special town council meeting.
  - D. Committee Appointment: Consider approval of the appointment of David Pulsifer to replace a vacancy on the Public Safety Retirement Local Board with a term ending 12/31/2007.
  - E. Town Council Retreat Goals and Vision: consider approval/ratification of the goals and vision document created and prioritized by Council in council meetings and retreat.
  - F. Chief Financial Officer: Consider approval of the formal appointment of Karen Asquith as the Town's Financial Officer.
  - G. Special Per Diem Compensation Requests: Consider approval of the per diem requests for Mayor Dyson at the following meetings:
    - NACOG meeting in Flagstaff on April 26.
    - White House Faith Based and Community Initiatives meeting in Phoenix on May 15 & 16
    - ASU Decision Theater for Little Colorado River Watershed in Tempe on May 30.

Mayor Dyson declared a conflict of interest with item G on the consent agenda.

Pete Hunt/Eric Baca motion to approve consent items 5a – 5g.

Vote:	Ayes:	Pete Hunt
		Eric Baca

6. Town Master Plan: Discussion regarding a presentation by the Tehido Group concerning the Town of Springerville master plan.

Dr. Mark Fredrickson of the Tehido Group gave a third and final power point presentation of the master plan. He advised the council that Springerville's master plan would be published online within ten days and supplying the town with CD's. Dr. Fredrickson said that they found a kind and generous spirit in this town and had really enjoyed working on this project. He wished the council the best of luck and hoped that the Tehido Group had generated enough ideas for the town to take to the next level. Dr. Fredrickson offered to do an overlay of the master plan in detail in January at no charge to the town which the council felt was very generous and took him up on the offer.

Ms. Bogardus explained that they have to adopt at a minimum the land use and circulation elements in the plan because this is what our grant is contingent upon. However the Department of commerce would be very happy if the council adopted the whole master plan. She advised the council that June 30<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to adopt it. She also advised them that plan amendments are built into the Statutes in community planning when they voiced concerns.

The town council thanked Dr. Fredrickson and his students and said they did an excellent job with the master plan. This was a big part of the vision for Springerville discussed during the workshop. They asked him to tell his students that they did a great job.

Dr. Fredrickson noted that this is a great marketing tool when going out for grant writing in soliciting state and federal funds.

7. Airport Master Plan: Discussion and action regarding the Springerville Municipal Airport Master Plan final report dated April 24, 2007.

Ms. Bogardus reported that the master plan has been completed and approved by the FAA. They gave us the money to hire a consultant to develop this master plan in accordance to what they have told us has to be in the master plan. It is then reviewed and approved by them to make sure we are in compliant and given back for approval by the town council.

Mr. Garms advised the council that this is the gate to millions of dollars in grant funding.

Ms. Bogardus explained that this doesn't obligate us to anything, but it does set forth a plan of action and an order in which it happens. She also noted that it is contingent on the availability of federal funding. The new Community Development Assistant Sheila Dulhanty has taken on the airport coordinator job and has identified one source of funding with no match that could be leveraged against federal dollars which we are eligible for and slated to receive.

Mr. Garms asked that the council keep in mind that money referred to represents a 2.5 % match and in most if not all circumstances we may be able to charge a four percent administrative cost back.

Ms. Bogardus noted that we have the second longest runway in Arizona. The FAA is very interested in our airport. We are the emergency alternate runway site for Sky Harbor, Albuquerque and one other airport.

Mr. Garms advised the council that Sam Sumata with FAA is the individual in charge and is very committed to these small airports because they are an integral part of the entire country

Pete Hunt/Eric Baca motion to accept the Springerville Municipal Airport-Airport Master Plan Final report dated April 24, 2007.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

8. Digital Security Alert Sign: Discussion and action regarding a Homeland Security grant for a digital security alert sign.

Chief West explained that he has acquired \$28,000 of Homeland Security funds for emergency alerts. He presented the council with two proposal options however both proposals exceeded the funds he received from the grant by a minimum of \$26,766.72 and a maximum of \$26,909.89.

The council decided that this needed to be a budget item and took no action. They asked Chief West to bring back different range of costs and a list of possible entities that might want to go in on this and the obligations.

9. Adjournment:

Pete Hunt/Eric Baca motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

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Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday June 6, 2007. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2007

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Town Clerk